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In conformance with Applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and § 1.97(b) (3), the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449 are hereby brought to the Examiner's attention.

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, copies of the references are submitted herewith.

Statement of Relevancy

The references were cited in a Search Report issued by the European Patent Office in a related EP Patent Application. A copy of the Search is enclosed. USP 5,839,976 to DARR has already been submitted in this application and is therefore not enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered

during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear in the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

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FORM PTO-1449 INFORMATION DISCLOSURE Atty Docket No. : 10551/321 Serial No. : 10/074,026 STATEMENT BY APPLICANT(S) : Ronald D. BLUM et al. Inventors Filed : 14 February 2002 **Group Art Unit** : 2632 Examiner : (Unknown) **U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS** Examiner Patent Patent Class/ Filing Initial <u>Number</u> **Date** Subclass Date <u>Name</u> 12/15/98 CASTLE et al. 362/84 5,848,830 4,665,342 05/12/87 TOPP et al. 313/505 MONTLICK 5,561,446 10/01/96 345/173 273/238 5,460,381 10/24/95 SMITH et al. 5,747,133 05/05/98 VINOD et al. 428/46 **RECEIVED** 5,885,684 03/23/99 HEFNER et al. 428/89 428/67 3,930,084 12/30/75 SHIELDS MAR 1 0 2004 Technology Center 2600 **FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS Translation** Examiner Document Class/ Initial Number **Date** Country Subclass Yes No **EPO** N/A 0 512 904 11/11/92 05/13/87 2 182 242 UK N/A WO 93/20536 PCT/US N/A 10/14/93 0 721 176 07/10/96 **EPO** N/A 2 532 095 02/24/84 France X 11-109901 04/23/99 Japan ABS. 87 01 817.9 04/30/87 Germany X **Great Britain** 433 133 08/08/35 N/A 319 416 Great Britain N/A 09/26/29 **OTHER DOCUMENTS** (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.) Examiner Initial **EXAMINER** DATE CONSIDERED

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